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Subject: Responsibility for Integrated Data Bases and Technical Systems

Integration

It appears that there is a costly hold-up on the selection of a DFAS Accounting system because of a concern that the choice which optimizes accounting requirements could jeopardize future software integration with Personnel data.

The responsibility for <u>technical</u> cross-functional integration is with DISA/CIM/TIM. I expect TIM to provide your CDA's with detailed technology guidance, such as selection of suitable cross-functional Data Base software and data schema, that would satisfy DFAS needs, while preserving CIM interoperability requirements.

I do not expect DFAS nor anyone else to make CIM software integration choices. The Technical Integration Organization will make them. They are expected to explain to everyone concerned the proposed tradeoffs between delivery schedules and technology alternatives before arriving at final recommendations.

ic: Andrews, D.Brown, Conte, Erwin, Fischer, Metrovich, O'Keefe, Schanzer, Short, Smith, Shycoff